

State Board of Education

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Educator Certification Chapter 6A-4 Rules

- Florida is the most veteran and military state in the nation
- Maintains high expectations to become a Florida educator
- Unanimously passed by the Florida Legislature
- For more information visit: Military (fldoe.org)



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Rule 6A-4.004, F.A.C.

- Outlines the eligibility criteria for the new 5-year Temporary Certificate for military veterans.
- Updates the Florida STEM Course List incorporated by reference due to changes to the Course Code Directory.

Rule 6A-4.0012, F.A.C.

- Creates a new online and hard copy certification form for applicants to apply for the 5-year Temporary Certificate for military veterans.
- Removes the active duty requirement for honorably discharged reservists to be eligible for a military certification fee waiver.

Rule 6A-4.002, F.A.C.

 Specifies only a 3-year Temporary Certificate may be issued after the certificate has been expired for more than a year since the new 5-year Temporary Certificate for military veterans can only be issued once.



Rule 6A-4.004, F.A.C. Temporary Military Veterans Certificate

- Effective July 1, 2022, Florida issues a 5-year Temporary Certificate for military veterans who have <u>not yet earned</u> their bachelor's degrees and meet the following eligibility:
 - Minimum of 48 months of active-duty military service with an honorable/medical discharge;
 - Minimum of 60 college credits with a 2.5 grade point average;
 - Passing score on a Florida subject area examination for bachelor's level subjects which demonstrates mastery of subject area knowledge;
 - Employment in a Florida school district, including charter schools, with an assigned mentor; and
 - Cleared background screening.



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